

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex.

South Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lambton Joseph Hayne Young to be Ensign.
Dated 1st January, 1863.

MEMORANDA.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commissions held by the following Officers:—

1st Middlesex Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Honorary Assistant-Surgeon Bartholomew Archdekin Duncan. Dated 8th January, 1863.

London Irish Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Surgeon Peter Charles Duncan. Dated 9th January, 1863.
Lieutenant Robert Jones. Dated 9th January, 1863.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Lieutenant Michael Falcon, in the 7th Cumberland Rifle Volunteer Corps. Dated 3rd January, 1863.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Cumberland.

7th Cumberland Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Anthony Peat to be Lieutenant, vice Falcon, resigned. Dated 3rd January, 1863.
Septimus Bourne to be Ensign, vice Peat, promoted. Dated 3rd January, 1863.

[The following Appointment is substituted for that which appeared in the Gazette of the 12th ultimo.]

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey.

5th Surrey Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Constantine Holman, M.D., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon, vice Sisson. Dated 8th December, 1862.

MEMORANDA.

11th Glamorganshire Rifle Volunteers.

Ensign Henry Randall has received Her Majesty's permission to resign his Commission.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Captain Kennicott in the 1st B. Cinque Ports Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Ensign Charles Jacob Bullock Marsham, in the 7th Oxfordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commissions held by Captain Alfred Austin and Assistant-Surgeon George Augustus Merritt, M.D., in the 2nd Surrey Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Ensign John Millard in the 11th Staffordshire Rifle Volunteers. Dated 12th January, 1863.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commissions held by

Captain Alexander Blair of the 4th Company, and Ensign John McMillan of the 9th Company, of Ayrshire Rifle Volunteers.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 96, for the regulation of the duties of postage, certain scales of weight and rates of postage were fixed, and were made chargeable and payable upon, for, and in respect of letters, newspapers, parliamentary proceedings, and printed papers transmitted and forwarded by the post, and various regulations were made for facilitating the transmission of such letters and papers by the post; and by the same Act power was given to the Postmaster-General to charge such higher rates of postage on certain letters, newspapers, and other printed papers therein mentioned, as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, should from time to time deem expedient, and also to remit any of the rates of British postage or inland postage for the time being payable by law on the transmission of post letters, newspapers, or other printed papers to such extent as the lords of the Treasury should from time to time direct; and by the same Act power was also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury from time to time, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage or inland postage payable by law on the transmission by the post of Foreign or Colonial letters or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant; and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof;

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, made and passed in the session of Parliament holden in the seventh and eighth years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 49, for the better regulation of Colonial posts, power is also given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of Colonial postage payable by law for the transmission of letters by the post, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such Warrant; and from time to time, by Warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any of such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof;

And whereas further powers are given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by another Act of Parliament, made and passed in the session of Parliament, holden in the tenth and eleventh years of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 85, for giving further facilities for the transmission of letters by post, and for the regulating the duties of postage thereon, and for other purposes relating to the Post Office;

And whereas by another Act of Parliament, made and passed in the eighteenth year of the reign of Her Majesty, chapter 27, for amending the laws relating to the stamp duties on newspapers, and providing for the transmission by post of printed periodical publications, power was given to Her Majesty's Postmaster-General, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, at any time or time thereafter to make

and issue such orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions as he should deem to be necessary or expedient for the purpose of regulating the receipt, transmission, and delivery by post of periodical publications, under the provisions of that Act, or for preventing or detecting frauds or abuses in relation thereto, and for giving effect to the purposes of that Act, and also for the said Postmaster-General, with the like consent, from time to time to rescind or revoke all or any such orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions, and to make and issue any new ones in lieu thereof; and it was provided that all periodical publications sent by post otherwise than in conformity with the terms, conditions, and regulations established by or under the authority of that Act might be detained by the Postmaster-General and any officer of the Post Office, and after being opened the same should be either returned to the senders thereof or forwarded to the place of their destination, charged with the like rates of postage as if the same were letters transmitted by the post, and that the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by Warrant under their hands, might authorize Her Majesty's Postmaster-General to charge in any such case any such less rate of postage as to him should seem fit; and it was also declared that the term "periodical publication" used in that Act, should be construed to mean and include (amongst other things) a newspaper as defined by the Acts in force relating to the stamp duties on newspapers;

And whereas certain orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions have been from time to time made and issued by Her Majesty's Postmaster-General for the time being, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, for the purpose of regulating the receipt, transmission, and delivery by post of printed newspapers and certain printed periodical publications, under the provisions of the said last hereinbefore recited Act;

And whereas by the said orders, regulations, conditions, and restrictions so made and issued as aforesaid, it was ordered and declared that no newspapers transmitted by the post should have any word or communication printed thereon after the publication thereof, or upon any cover thereof, nor any writing or marks thereupon, or upon the cover thereof, other than the name and address of the person to whom sent, and except as therein also mentioned; and it was further ordered and declared that if any of the said regulations should be disregarded, the said newspapers, in certain cases therein mentioned, should be dealt with in accordance with the regulations contained in certain Treasury Warrants relating to the transmission by the post of book packets as therein mentioned;

And whereas the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to them in and by the said several hereinbefore recited Acts, some, or one of them, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, have from time to time, by divers Warrants, in writing, under their hands, duly made, issued certain regulations, orders, directions, and conditions relating to the rates of postage and the mode and time of payment thereof, and to the mode and time of sending, under and subject to and in conformity with which certain newspapers might respectively, be transmitted by the post at lower rates than the letter rates of postage, and by which regulations newspapers so transmitted are prohibited in like manner from having any word or communication printed thereon after their publication, or upon the cover thereof, or any

writing or marks upon them, or upon the covers of them, except the name and address of the person to whom sent;

And whereas in and by the said recited Warrants, some, or one of them, provision is made that where newspapers transmitted by the post, under the authority of the said respective Warrants, should not be transmitted in conformity with, and under and subject to, the regulations, orders, directions, and conditions therein, or in some or one of them respectively mentioned and contained, such newspapers should in certain cases be chargeable with a postage of double the amount of postage to which they would have been liable as letters if the postage had been paid by stamps when posted, and in certain other cases with certain other letter rates of postage therein, or in some or one of the said Warrants respectively mentioned;

And whereas it is expedient that power should be given to the Postmaster-General to charge newspapers transmitted by the post between places within the United Kingdom, and newspapers, British, Colonial, or Foreign, brought into the United Kingdom by British packet-boat, or private ship, or transmitted by the post between any ports or places beyond the sea through the United Kingdom, or transmitted by British packet-boat between any ports or places beyond the sea, without passing through the United Kingdom, and with respect to which the regulation hereinbefore mentioned has been infringed, with a less amount of postage at his discretion than some of the rates of postage now chargeable thereon in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us in and by the said several hereinbefore recited Acts, any or either of them, and of all other powers enabling us in this behalf, do by this Warrant, under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners (by the authority of the Statute in that case made and provided), order, direct, and declare as follows:—

1. In all cases where any newspapers, British, Colonial, or Foreign, brought into the United Kingdom by British packet-boat, or private ship, or transmitted by the post between any ports or places beyond the sea through the United Kingdom, or transmitted by British packet-boat between any ports or places beyond the sea, without passing through the United Kingdom, and in all cases where any newspapers transmitted by the post between places within the United Kingdom shall have any word or communication printed thereon after the publication thereof, or upon any cover thereof, or any writing or marks upon any such newspaper, or the cover thereof, other than the name and address of the person to whom sent (except the name and title of the newspaper, and the name and address of the publisher, newsvender, or agent, by whom sent, printed on the cover of any such newspaper), and shall by reason thereof have become liable to any increased rate of postage under or by virtue of any Warrant or Warrants of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury now in force, or under or by virtue of any order, regulation, condition, or restriction heretofore made by Her Majesty's Postmaster-General for the time being, with the consent of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, the Postmaster-General for the time being shall, and may, and he is hereby authorized and empowered, at his discretion, in lieu of any postage heretofore charged thereupon, and payable under or by virtue of any such Warrant or Warrants, order, regulation, condition, or restriction, as last

aforesaid, to charge any such newspaper with any other rate or amount of postage, or sum, which he shall think proper, not exceeding the rate or amount of postage to which such newspaper would have been liable as a letter, if the postage had been paid by stamps when posted, nor less than the rate or amount of postage which such newspapers would have been liable to or chargeable with if transmitted in conformity with the regulations in force relating to such newspapers, anything in any such last-mentioned Warrant or Warrants, order, regulation, condition, or restriction heretofore made, contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

And whereas by a certain other Warrant under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and bearing date at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 21st day of July, 1857, and by divers other Warrants in writing under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury since respectively made for regulating the duties of postage, and the transmission by the post of packets consisting of books, publications, and works of literature and art, between the United Kingdom and certain of Her Majesty's colonies, and also between certain of Her Majesty's colonies therein respectively mentioned, and also by a certain other Warrant under the hands of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and bearing date at Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the 16th day of October, 1857, and made for regulating the duties of postage and transmission by the post of packets, consisting of books, publications, and works of literature and art, between places within the United Kingdom. It was amongst other things ordered, directed, and declared, that the terms "books, publications, or works of literature or art," in those Warrants, or in certain other Warrants thereby referred to respectively used, should for the purposes of those Warrants respectively mean and comprise all such articles as in their general character were either literary, or consisted of printed written engraved or lithographed matter (although not strictly literary), including books (whether printed, written, or plain); publications or compilations (whether in print or in manuscript), almanacks, printed or lithographed letters, and such artistic productions as prints, maps, (whether on paper, or canvas, or cloth, and whether printed or written), and photographs, when not on glass, or in frames containing glass; and any description of paper, parchment, or vellum (whether printed, lithographed, written upon, or plain, or any mixture of the four); together with any binding, mounting, or covering of or upon, or belonging to any such article or production, or any portion thereof, or of or belonging to any paper, parchment, or vellum, and including also any cases or rollers of prints or maps, book markers (whether of paper or otherwise), pencils, pens, or other thing usually appertaining to any such article or production, paper, parchment, or vellum, or necessary for its safe transmission, which should be sent in the same packet with any such article or production to which they or it should belong.

And whereas since the making of the said Warrants respectively a practice has obtained of putting printed matter upon leather and other substances and things not being paper parchment or vellum, and transmitting the same by the post under the privilege so given in and by the said several last hereinbefore recited Warrants, and it is expedient to make other regulations for preventing such abuses of the said privilege in manner hereinafter mentioned.

Now we, the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in exercise of the powers reserved to us as aforesaid, do hereby further order, direct, and declare, as follows:—

2. In all cases where packets consisting of books, publications, or works of literature or art, may be transmitted by the post under the authority of any of such last-mentioned Warrants, whether the same be transmitted between the United Kingdom and any of Her Majesty's colonies, or between any of Her Majesty's colonies, or between any places within the United Kingdom, comprising prints or printed matter, such prints or printed matter shall consist only of prints or printed matter on paper, parchment, or vellum, and shall not comprise or include any printed matter on leather, cloth, canvas, or linen, or any other substance or thing whatsoever, except paper, parchment, or vellum, anything in the said last-mentioned Warrants respectively relating to any such packets, or any or either of them contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

3. In all cases in which any question shall hereafter arise, whether any article, matter, or thing transmitted by the post, under or by virtue of the said several warrants hereinbefore last-mentioned, or under or by virtue of this present Warrant, is entitled to the book-post privilege, and to be so transmitted within the intent and meaning of the said several last-mentioned Warrants, or of this present Warrant, or any or either of them, such question shall be referred to the determination of the Postmaster-General, whose decision thereupon shall be final and conclusive upon all parties.

4. The Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury may by Warrant under their hands, duly made at any time, hereafter alter, repeal, or revoke the orders, regulations, and directions hereby made, and may make and establish any new or other rates, regulations, orders, directions, and conditions in lieu thereof, and from time to time appoint at what time the rates which may be payable are to be paid.

This Warrant shall come into operation on the second day of February next.

Whitehall Treasury Chambers, the eighth day of January, 1863.

Luke White.

E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen.

Whitehall, December 31, 1862.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Benjamin Scott Currey, of Derby, in the county of Derby, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

January 12, 1863.

The Vice-Chancellor of the County Palatine of Lancaster has appointed Charles John Allen, of No. 20, Bedford-row, in the county of Middlesex, Attorney-at-Law, to be a Commissioner to take and swear affidavits to be made use of in any of the Courts of the County Palatine of Lancaster.

NAVAL SALVAGE MONEY.

Department of the Accountant-General of the Navy, Admiralty, Somerset-House, January 8, 1863.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that preparations are now being